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X: Invitation DCI

8 December 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in Paragraph 5.

2. Mr. Paul Murdock, Army Information and Education, renews the invitation of last September for the DCI to participate for five minutes in a 30-minute documentary. He requests the Director to do his narration in the Pentagon on Monday, 19 December 1960, at a time of the Director's choosing. It will take about two hours. A tele-prompter will be used so the Director may read his remarks and not have to commit them to memory.

3. The original request was for the Director to be Narrator No. 4. Since the other narrators have already completed their parts, Mr. Dulles is asked to be Narrator No. 5 which will concern Russia's economic advance. He can accept what they offer in the attached script for Narrator No. 5 or he can change it as he sees fit. I sent to [redacted] the text for Narrator No. 5 and he will furnish comments on it tomorrow, 9 December 1960.

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4. Narrator No. 1 and lead-off man is Ed Murrow. He also will be Narrator No. 4. Narrator No. 2 is John Wayne, the actor. Narrator No. 3 is Hanson Baldwin. Narrator No. 5, if he accepts, the DCI; No. 6, Lowell Thomas; No. 7, Helen Hayes.

5. RECOMMENDATION: That the DCI accept this invitation and that he be Narrator No. 5, and make the picture on Monday, 19 December 1960, or as early in that week as his schedule will permit.

STANLEY J. GROGAN
Assistant to the Director

Attach.
cc: DDCI w/o attach.